Opening Speaker: Mark Cowin, Director, California Department of Water Resources

Session Content:

- The Water Plan has evolved from its early foundations as Bulletin 3, and the Bulletin 160 series
- Three key themes of the California Water Plan update 2013 build from 2009
 - Integrated Water Management
 - Strengthening Agency Alignment
 - Investments in Innovation and Infrastructure
- Update 2013 provides a foundation for debate on water issues facing California



Applying the Sustainability Indicators Framework

Session Content:

- Presentation of how far we have come with sample indicators
- Presentation of the California Water Footprint

- Discussion of the right scale for application of indicators
- Definition of "sustainability"
- Ways to make the California Water Footprint useful

Questions & Public Comment for Public Review Draft – Update 2013 Vol. 1 Ch. 1-4

Session Content:

- Overview of Chapters 1 4 of Volume 1
- Public comment on Public Review Draft

- Discussion on the need for more urgency/imperative to act
- Opportunity for case studies, personal stories
- Revisions to some graphics
- Discussion of reframing explanations of water supply

Evaluating Regional Reports

Session Content:

- Overview of Regional Report Format and Content
- Public comment on Public Review Draft

- Regional Reports are useful as a one-stop source of information
- Graphical representation of information is essential
- Need to come to consensus on what to present in regional reports – then seek the data for graphical presentation.

Water and Technology

Session Content:

Overview of Water and Technology Caucus meetings

Update on CA Council of Science and Technology California's Water Future Report

Summary of Objective 11 and Related Actions

Key Feedback/Discussions: Take home message is importance of new data, better data and ability to share it at a central portal. Improved and centralized data will make better policies and informed management decisions.

2013 Tribal Water Summit Highlights

Session Content:

Overview of 2013 Tribal Water Summit

1st Tribal and State leader invitational meeting

Tribal Issues from State-wide Tribal perspectives.

Right People at the table to start working on solutions

Key Feedback/Discussions: More work is needed, Tribal leaders and State leaders must continue to come to the table together to develop effective solutions to statewide concerns.

Groundwater

Session Content:

 Overview of Update 2013 groundwater enhancements and recommendations

- Emphasize the importance of groundwater and its use
- Identify areas of artificial and natural recharge potential
- The need for more robust datasets and improved data sharing
- Forecasting of current trends for improvements/impacts
- Marriage of IRWM + GWMPs will keep GW Mgt. local

Climate Change and Water Energy Nexus in Update 2013

Session Content:

 Overview of climate change content in Public Review Draft

- Generally liked graphics with some suggested refinements
 - Want to see estimates future total precipitation trends
 - Focus more on state as opposed to global perspective
 - Several specific suggestions

Californians without Safe Water and Sanitation

Session Content:

Overview of report and enhancements for Update 2013

Discussion on Human Right to Water Legislation

Discussion on Objective 13 - Ensure Equitable Distribution of Benefits

Key Feedback/Discussions:

State agencies working to implement AB 685

Funding available to assist communities becomes less each year.

There are chronic and intermittent issues to be discussed

Operation & Maintenance an issue

Questions & Public Comment for Public Review Draft – Update 2013 Vol. 3 RMS's

Session Content:

- Overview of Resource Management Strategies, their structure and purpose
- Open discussion on RMS's not featured in other Plenary sessions

- The inclusion of integrated reservoir operations in the RMS's
- A discussion on Latino water issues
- Comments are due December 2 on RMS's

Public Review Draft Overview – Financing Plan Framework

Session Content:

- Overview of Chapter 7, Volume 1
- Description of Financing Plan Framework scope, process, key findings and next steps

- Data availability and comparisons limited some activities
- Participants gave feedback on graphics and figures in the Chapter
- The Financing Plan framework team is open to suggestions, and looking forward to more feedback and review by November 18